

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Regular Meeting of the **TRACY ARTS COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

Date/Time: **Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 7:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: **Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, Visual Arts 1**
715 Central Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376

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Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Tracy Arts Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however, no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Items from the Audience - *In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2019-240, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Tracy Arts Commission member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.*
4. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of January 11, 2022
5. Old Business
 - A. Continue Discussion of 2021 Annual Report for City Council
 - B. Continue Discussion of Programming for Downtown Tracy Arts Month, April 2022
 - C. Continue Discussion of Downtown Street Banners Civic Art Project
6. Correspondence
7. Items from the Commission
8. Items from Staff
9. Adjournment

POSTED: February 4, 2022

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
January 11, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Dhugga called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Lees, Reis, Sandhu, and Skinner present.
Commissioner Dhugga was absent.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor
Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONER TREVOR SKINNER

Commissioners and Staff welcomed Commissioner Skinner to the Tracy Arts Commission. Commissioners introduced themselves. Commissioner Skinner shared that he moved to Tracy three years ago and is a musician and artist.

3. SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2022

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report. Vice Chair Reis called for volunteers and seated the Subcommittees of the Tracy Arts Commission for 2022:

Budget:	1. Dhugga	2. Reis	Alternate: Lees
Civic Art:	1. Lees	2. Reis	Alternate: Sandhu
Special Events:	1. Dhugga	2. Skinner	Alternate: Sandhu

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE – SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2021

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Commissioner Sandhu to approve the minutes as submitted. Voice vote found all in favor; motion carried 4:0.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2021

ACTION CAS Wilson advised the Commission of a typo for correction. Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Commissioner Sandhu to approve the minutes as amended. Voice vote found all in favor; motion carried 4:0

6. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF 2021 ANNUAL REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL

CAS Wilson advised the presentation of the 2021 Annual Report has been scheduled for March 1, and asked the Commission if they wanted to table this item until the meeting of February 8 to included Chair Dhugga. Vice Chair Reis agreed and called for a motion.

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Commissioner Sandhu to move continued discussion of the 2021 Annual Report for City Council to the meeting of February 8. Voice vote found all in favor; motion carried 4:0.

7. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF NEW MULTICULTURAL PROGRAMMING

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report. Vice Chair Reis reported she spoke with Chair Dhugga, and stated it has been difficult to identify groups specific to a culture. Commissioners continued discussion of ideas for new multicultural programming and confirmed their support to utilize the existing Cultural Arts Division platforms of Downtown Tracy Arts Month in April, and the Artwalk events.

Commissioners voiced support of featuring dance, music, visual art, poetry, spoken word, and food. Commissioners agreed to consider creating an open mic night and a poetry workshop. CADM Cross encouraged the Commission to be conscious of the multicultural theme and inclusion throughout the year. Commissioners agreed and discussed the goal of the programming is to be of community benefit. Community groups and artists can be from the local-area and the events do not need to generate revenue.

Commissioners supported the idea of scheduling an open mic night event on a Thursday evening during Arts Month. CADM Cross confirmed the availability of the Grand on Thursday, April 21 and 28. Commissioners agreed to further the details under New Business, Item 9.A., Discussion of Programming for Downtown Tracy Arts Month, April 2022.

5. DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMING FOR DOWNTOWN TRACY ARTS MONTH, APRIL 2022

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and explained the purpose of the discussion is to develop programming recommendations for review and approval at the meeting on March 8.

Commissioners further discussed an all ages, free, open mic night event that could include all disciplines including music, poetry, spoken word, and variety acts. Commissioner Skinner advised he can invite an emcee and DJ, and will research the associated costs. Commissioners agreed the event should be scheduled for Thursday, April 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre. CADM Cross advised the Grand can provide concessions service for the event.

Commissioners then discussed developing a free poetry workshop. Vice Chair Reis advised she can invite a poet or two to provide instruction. Commissioners agreed the event should be scheduled for Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Grand.

CAS Wilson advised he will confirm classroom availability and that light complimentary hospitality can be provided for attendees.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Skinner gave a brief summary of his activities relating to arts and cultural within the last month.

Vice Chair Reis advised she is ready to report on recommended artists in order to continue discussion for the Downtown Street Banners Civic Art Project at the meeting of February 8.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

None

8. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 8:45 p.m.

ACTION Motion by Vice Chair Reis, seconded by Commissioner Sandhu to adjourn.
Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on January 5, 2022. The above are action minutes. Materials distributed to the majority of the Tracy Arts Commission, staff records and/or audio recording is available in the Cultural Arts Division located at 715 Central Avenue.

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AGENDA ITEM 5.a.

REQUEST

CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF THE 2021 ANNUAL REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL

DISCUSSION

City Council has requested that the Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) begin to provide an annual report. The TAC began discussion in June, 2021 in consideration of the time frame and information to be included in preparation to create its first annual report. The TAC reviewed and approved the 2021 Annual Report for City Council in December, 2021.

It is now scheduled to remotely present the Annual Report to the City Council at their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2022. This discussion item has been requested to remain on the February agenda in preparation.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund for this item.

RECOMMENDATION

Continue Discussion of the 2021 Annual Report for City Council

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

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AGENDA ITEM 5.b.

REQUEST

DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMING FOR DOWNTOWN TRACY ARTS MONTH, APRIL 2022

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) has approved participation in Downtown Tracy Arts Month in April, 2022, with a budget of \$2,000 supporting four components or presented artists at \$500 each. The TAC began discussion at the meeting of January 11 in order to determine the programming elements in support of this event.

The TAC is in support of presenting a Poetry Workshop on Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and an Open Mic Night on Thursday, April 21, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts.

Discussion will continue at the meeting of February 8, with recommendations to be reviewed and approved at the meeting of March 8.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriation of Tracy Arts Commission funding in the Cultural Arts Division budget in the amount of \$2,000 has been approved for programming components.

RECOMMENDATION

Begin Discussion of Programming for Downtown Tracy Arts Month, April 2022

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

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AGENDA ITEM 5.c.

REQUEST

CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF DOWNTOWN STREET BANNERS CIVIC ART PROJECT

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) approved the development of the Downtown Street Banners Civic Art Project as part of the FY2021-22 Budget and Programming Recommendations at the meeting of December 14, 2021. This pilot project seeks to introduce art into the downtown streetscape in a new and complimentary way. Staff has identified the project locations. The TAC is in the process of forming recommendations. Four artists will be commissioned to create original works of art, to be featured on four double-sided banners. Vice Chair Reis is working to identify local-area artists for the Commission's consideration. Discussion will continue as needed, and it is anticipated the TAC will review and approve recommendations at the meeting of April 12.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriation of Tracy Arts Commission funding in the Cultural Arts Division budget in the amount of \$1,600 has been approved to produce four street banners.

RECOMMENDATION

Continue Discussion of Downtown Street Banners Civic Art Project

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager